

BALTIMORE GLAD TO CONDUCT OF WAR SKIP-STOPPERS SCORED IN SENATE

Limited Service a Failure. Chamberlain Asserts Country Trolleys Return to Former Schedule Is Unprepared to Care for Returning Soldiers

PLAN WAS HARSHSHIP GRAVE MISTAKES MADE

Women Conductors Prove More Satisfactory Than Men to Public

By a Staff Correspondent Baltimore, Dec. 30.—One of the best Christmas gifts that came the way of the Baltimore public was the abolition of the "miserable skipstop" plan of the United Railways and Electric Company, which proved to be one of the most unpopular schemes ever tried in this city.

Today cars are stopping at all street corners, passengers are made happy in the thought that they are not compelled to walk two and three blocks to their homes, and there has not been any appreciable bad effect upon the character of the service.

The street-car service of Baltimore is far from perfect, even the company is willing to admit this, the blame being placed on the congestion of the streets, due to the parking of automobiles.

In fact, in many instances the car service here is notoriously bad, although the railway company now has a petition before the Public Service Commission asking for an increase in the six-cent fare rate, and with the very good prospect that this will be brought about.

However, the "staggered skipstop" plan has nothing to do with this. The United Railways is still feeling the effect of the war, by being men who entered the service and by others seeking employment in munitions plants, while the company was compelled to operate its equipment with inexperienced men and woman conductors.

The latter, however, made good in Baltimore, as it is a noticeable fact that the women are more alert than the men and seem to have the faculty of making change, handing out transfers and performing other tasks with more alacrity than has been the wont of male conductors.

The women are proud of their ability along these lines, and are making a determined effort to be retained in the service of the company.

"Make U. S. Navy Biggest"—Daniels

Continued from Page One said, "because this country has no such designs. But since we have pledged our support to the Allies, we must protect ourselves we must be strong enough to make our pledges good."

Mr. Daniels said the war had brought out clearly the superiority of our national differences and need for more armaments and that these should be eliminated, and second, that a national tribunal with power to enforce its rulings is essential.

British Navy Now First Secretary Daniels submitted to the committee a report showing the comparative strength of the large navies of the world.

The United States, with the second largest navy in the world, has built or ordered fifty-nine battleships, six battle cruisers, 124 torpedo boats, 40 destroyers, 32 destroyers, 81 submarines, fifteen coast torpedo vessels, fifteen minesweepers, 243 other vessels.

France has twenty-nine battleships, twenty-one cruisers, eight light cruisers, ninety-two destroyers, 124 torpedo boats, 100 minesweepers, 183 other craft, thirty-eight submarines, five monitors, fifteen auxiliary cruisers, 124 torpedo boats, 100 minesweepers, 183 other vessels.

Before the armistice was signed Germany had forty-seven battleships, six battle cruisers, fifty-one other cruisers, 233 destroyers, 124 torpedo boats, 100 minesweepers, 183 other vessels.

3000 VARE MEN PUT IN JOBS Penrose and McNichol Followers Busted All Along Line

Figures best tell the tale of political patronage handled by Vane ward leaders during the year. The statement that more than 3000 appointments were made in 1918, and that "separations" and leaves of absence totaled two-thirds of this number, shows the extent of the activities of place-hunters and political patronage wielders.

Last year, 1917, was the record year for Vane activities. The appointments numbered 292 in the case of Penrose, 2016 in the case of McNichol.

This year's activities in detail were reported to Mayor Smith in a day or two by the Civil Service Commission, the official employment agency of the department under the city government.

Naturally this report will be incomplete, as it does not include the many changes and removals made by heads of the county departments. The absence of any official statement from the county offices and the courts leave the grand total of dismissals, removals and resignations in doubt. The number is known to be in excess of 3000.

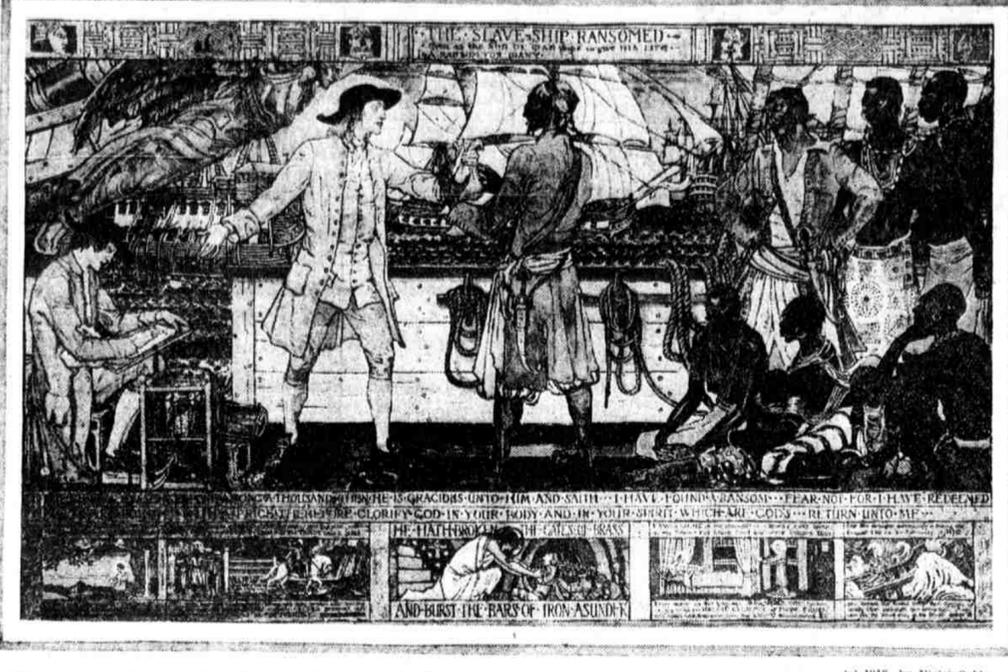
To Harry A. Mackey, Vane leader of the Forty-third Ward, falls the honor of again leading the place-hunters in their wild scramble for soft positions. His activities are expected to bear fruit at future elections. A similar situation exists in the Twenty-second Ward, the political destinies of which are presided over by Thomas F. Watson, who during the year has been credited with a great number of appointments.

SPANGLER SEEKS SPEAKERSHIP York Republican Announces Aspirations for Assembly Gavel

York, Pa., Dec. 30.—(By A. P.)—Making a formal announcement today of his candidacy for the Speakership of the Pennsylvania Assembly, Republican Representative Spangler, of this city, said: "I am heartily in favor of all the constructive policies on which the State led, headed by Senator Sprout, went before the voters, last November. I might add that I am heartily in favor of short sessions and that I think obtainable if the Legislature shows a disposition to hasten the legislative work."

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"THE SLAVE SHIP RANSOMED," DECORATION FOR STATE SENATE



This is panel number two in the series of mural decorations for the Senate Chamber at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, by Violet Oakley. The panel, just completed, illustrates the "Legend of the Quaker," who, hearing of a certain shipload of slaves to be landed and sold, bought the entire shipload and sent them north to Nova Scotia to be set free.

CANNOT COMBINE TO FIX PRICES

Concerted Movement by Any Industry Regarded as Restraint of Competition

SHERMAN LAW APPLIES

By the Associated Press Washington, Dec. 30.—Concerted action by any industry after the Government ceases to exercise price control, January 1, will be regarded by the Department of Justice as in restraint of free competition. It was stated today. The explanation was made officially in answer to queries as to what happens to wartime price fixing when the War Industries Board ceases to function at midnight tomorrow.

The attitude of the Department of Justice, as outlined by Attorney General Gregory, is that the Sherman anti-trust law, still effective, will be enforced vigorously by the department. It has been in full effect throughout the war, but the department has not regarded the action of industry in maintaining prices fixed by the Government as contrary to law. In making this explanation the Attorney General did not refer to any industry or specific situation in explaining that the Sherman law of anti-trust laws would be enforced.

Other Department of Justice officials who heretofore have had charge of prosecution under the anti-trust laws declared that when the war industries board ceases to exercise control of prices January 1, and out of a group of business men ready to prevent free competition will be examined in the light of the law.

It is felt that, although an immediate prosecution under the anti-trust laws temporarily to keep prices down and thereby benefit consumers, this result might soon change and that consequently the Sherman law should be applied as a provision in the law for consideration of whether the effect of the suppression of competition might be injurious to the public interest.

As said this so far the department had not given particular attention to the steel industry, which submitted to the war industries board a request for a price increase after January 1. The board did not pass upon the price and declined to continue its supervision.

"SKIP-STOP MUST GO!" Northwest Business Men Will Send Ultimatum to Mitten

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This will be the message sent President Mitten in a letter of protest against the "skip-stop" plan, which is being used by the P. R. R. in the northwest.

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NEW JERSEY CAUCUS AGAIN FAILS TO ELECT

Republican Senator Will Make Another Effort on Saturday to Choose President

Trenton, Dec. 30.—Republican Senators of New Jersey held their fifth caucus today for the election of a president. After conferring several hours the deadlock remained unbroken.

Senator Mackay said he would withdraw from the contest if his opponent, Senator Wells, would also withdraw. The latter declined. Various compromises were discussed, but nothing was agreed to. The caucus will be reconvened Saturday.

Meanwhile Governor Edge is expected to take a hand in trying to break the deadlock.

SEIZURE OF CABLES SEVERELY CRITICIZED BY HITCHECOCK AND KELLOGG

Washington, Dec. 30.—(By A. P.)—By taking over control of the cables after the armistice was signed, Postmaster General Burleson came "very close to breaking faith with Congress," Senator Hitchcock, Nebraska, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, declared in the Senate today in commenting on a letter received from the Postmaster General explaining his action.

"I don't believe," he added, "that any intelligent person will support the Postmaster General in the claim that because the cables were taken over by the United States they were not subject to the same laws as other property." He was justified in taking over the cables.

Even with the Attorney General's assurance that the cables were not subject to the same laws as other property, Senator Burleson declared that when the war industries board ceases to exercise control of prices January 1, and out of a group of business men ready to prevent free competition will be examined in the light of the law.

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ARTIST FINISHES GERMAN CABINET POSTS ARE FILLED

Violet Oakley's Last Two Paintings Symbolize New World Spirit

WILL BE SHOWN HERE DEMONSTRATIONS HELD

To Be Viewed at Academy of the Fine Arts From January 1 to 8

By the Associated Press Berlin, Dec. 30.—The Central Council of Soldiers and Workmen of Germany has appointed Herr Noske, Governor of Kiel; Herr Loeb, editor of the Breslau Volkswacht, and Herr Wisel, member of the Reichstag, as cabinet members to replace Foreign Minister Haase, Minister of Social Policy Barth and Demobilization Minister Dittmann, radicals, who retired Saturday night.

The new cabinet held its first sitting Sunday afternoon. It was agreed, according to reports, that Philipp Scheidemann would take over the secretaryship of Foreign Affairs in succession of Hugo Haase. Herr Noske will become head of the Military Department and Herr Wisel will become Minister of Social Policy.

The retirement of Haase, Barth and Dittmann followed a meeting at which the Central Council decided regarding the independence of the majority of questions the Independents submitted for consideration. Premier Ebert, Scheidemann and Herr Loeb remained in the cabinet, which now comprises these three members and the new appointees.

Leading Independent Socialists indicate that their party representatives will retire from all the positions they now occupy in State and Government departments. The Independent Socialists in the Prussian ministry and officials of the Prussian Government who belong to the Independent Socialists, he said, do not approve violence in any form, and in an interview permitted the Independent Socialists to state that they do not at present contemplate a counter-revolution.

Reviewing the situation leading to his resignation, Wilhelm Dittmann said that he had been appointed to the office since December 9 owing to constant differences as to internal and foreign policies between the two sections of the cabinet, the Socialists and Independent Socialists. He said that the matters which caused the principal trouble were pressing economic problems and questions of demobilization and military reorganization.

Copenhagen, Dec. 30.—(By A. P.)—No. 100, Copenhagen, Denmark, was hit by a heavy rain storm Sunday night. The Independent Socialists, members of the cabinet, and sailors held a demonstration in Copenhagen Sunday night in honor of the victims of Tuesday's fighting.

It is reported from Berlin that several hundred thousand persons gathered in the streets and in the Tiergarten. Hugo Preuss, who was appointed to the office since December 9 owing to constant differences as to internal and foreign policies between the two sections of the cabinet, the Socialists and Independent Socialists. He said that the matters which caused the principal trouble were pressing economic problems and questions of demobilization and military reorganization.

SEES PLOT TO DRAW ALLIES INTO BERLIN

Berlin, Dec. 28.—(Delayed)—The German group which favors Allied cooperation in the Balkans, the Balkan League, is reported to be plotting to draw the Allies into Berlin.

Wife Prostrated When Heart Disease Kills Business Man

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F. D. ROOSEVELT GOING ABROAD

Assistant Secretary Heads Naval Demobilization Commission

Washington, Dec. 30.—(By A. P.)—Assistant Secretary Franklin D. Roosevelt, accompanied by T. J. Spellacy, former United States District Attorney at New York, and J. H. C. Brown, former U. S. N. S. of the Bureau of Naval Supplies and Accounts, left here today for New York, where they will sail on the Latvian as a special American naval demobilization commission for Europe.

HELP WANTED—MALE YOUNG MAN wanted, bright, milk salesman, must know how to drive a horse and wagon. For immediate delivery. For immediate delivery. For immediate delivery.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE COOK, white, Protestant, 2 in. family, good wages. For immediate delivery. For immediate delivery. For immediate delivery.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE BOOKKEEPER, experienced and general office work. For immediate delivery. For immediate delivery. For immediate delivery.

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GUNMEN PLANNED RAID ON ART CLUB

Detective Captain Here Was Warned by New York Inspector

HUNT FOR GANG GOES ON

New York gunmen planned to hold up the Art Club, 220 South Broad street, late Saturday night.

Acting on this information, Captain of Detectives Souder explained this afternoon, he had every club in the city guarded and took extra measures to guard those whose names began with "A."

Inspector Gray had positive information that the gunmen were again in Philadelphia for the purpose of "striking up" a club. He was equally positive that the name of the club began with the letter "A."

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ARMY HAS WIRES TO BERLIN

Daily Conversations Take Place Between Coblentz and Capital

Coblentz, Dec. 30.—(By A. P.)—Daily telephone conversations between Berlin and the headquarters of the "Third Army" in Coblentz have taken place recently. The long-distance telephone conversations have been in connection with the work of the Inter-Allied armistice commission and also in arranging details concerning the war in the region of Coblentz.

SICK CHILD HIT BY MOTORCAR

Girl Taken to Hospital Found Suffering With Pneumonia

Knocked down by an automobile near the intersection of 22nd and Locust streets, a girl, 9 years old, was injured today. She was taken to the Howard Hospital, where she is recovering from pneumonia.

LIQUOR IS DENIED FORMER SAILORS IF IN UNIFORM

Navy Tells Bars to Ignore Discharge Papers if Suit Is Worn

The Navy Department has issued a new order forbidding the sale of liquor to men in uniform, even though they have been discharged from the service.

CAMDEN AUTO DRIVERS STRIKE

Funerals Nearly Held Up, but Men Return to Work

A strike of 100 livery automobile drivers in Camden today threatened to delay several funerals, but an agreement was reached between the employers and the men. The drivers have been getting 32 a week and have been working any hours the business required.

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ASKS CHURCH'S AID IN FIGHT WITH VICE

Dr. Delk Tells Ministerial Union Political Evils Must Be Stamped Out

The Rev. Dr. Edwin Heel Delk today voiced a strong plea for the churches of Philadelphia to present a united front and to organize the voting body of the federated churches of the city in a determined fight against present political conditions.

BUY GERMAN-OWNED CONCERN

Brooklyn Company Purchases Messer Manufacturing Stock

The K. P. Link Company, of Brooklyn, today purchased the entire capital stock of the Messer Manufacturing Company, 121 North Seventh street, a German-owned concern.

WOULD OUST ENEMY ALIENS

Department of Justice to Ask Deportation of Plotters

Washington, Dec. 30.—Deportation of most of the 2000 or 4000 enemy aliens now interned in the United States will be recommended to Congress shortly by the Department of Justice.

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E. L. HILL RELEASED

Charges of Embezzlement Against Wool Man Withdrawn

Edward L. Hill, 3209 North Fifteenth street, who was arrested on the charge of embezzlement, was released today by Magistrate McCleary after the attorney had presented evidence to show that the charge had been withdrawn.

LOOK OUT FOR IT!

It is the record of the hops and mishaps of a landlubber plunged into the unfamiliar duties of a naval training station.

It will start in the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER next Monday.

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